

**IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:**

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure to read as follows:

The invention relates to a method of establishing a communications group in a communication network, ~~such as mobile communications network. In the invention,~~ wherein a request from master user equipment (UEA) is sent (2-4, 2-5) to at least one slave user equipment (UEB, UEC) via a short-range communications medium, said request prompting the user of the slave user equipment (UEB, UEC) to send user information for group establishment. The slave user equipment (UEB, UEC) sends a response (2-8, 2-12) comprising user information for group establishment over the short-range communications medium to the master user equipment (UEA). The master user equipment (UEA) creates the group based on the information received in responses from the at least one slave user equipment (UEB, UEC) and sends the information on the created group to the actual mobile communications network for establishing said group. When the group has been created, the user equipment can initiate group communication in the mobile communication network.

~~(Figure 2)~~